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THE TRANSFORMATION OF JOE KURP

Joe Kurp and Jack Dempsey. →



"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

THESE WORDS from the pen of the apostle Paul have found literal fulfillment in the transformation of Joe Kurp ... former heavyweight pugilist and underworld character.

His tender and Christlike spirit today is a remarkable contrast to the hard nature and fierce disposition he possessed back in the days when sport fans called him, "The iron man of Pennsylvania."

He says: "The old Joe Kurp is dead. The present Joe Kurp is a new man, a new creature in Christ Jesus."

As the toughest sparring partner Jack Dempsey ever faced, he helped cast the former champion in the role of "man killer" — an appellation attached to Dempsey by admirers at the height of his career. Rigid training under the direction of men like Joe Kurp enabled him to effect knockouts in the early stages of hard fights, often the first round.

Kurp always fought in the heavyweight class, usually winning by knockouts. Some of his hardest fighting took place in China, where he was stationed with the American armed forces during the first World War.

On one occasion he met Dempsey in a regular bout. It proved to be a match that spectators long remembered. The "man killer" charged with full force but failed to knock his opponent out.

A miraculous conversion in 1939 completely changed the course of Kurp's life. He later became associated with the Pacific Garden Mission of Chicago as night supervisor — a position which offers nightly opportunities for winning "down-and-outers" to Christ.

It will be recalled that Billy Sunday was converted in this famous Mission. Kurp enjoys handing out copies of the following hypothetical letter which friends visualize the Evangelist as having written after arriving in heaven:

Dear Friend:

I'll never forget Chicago. Biggest thrill I ever had came the night I took Jesus as my Saviour at old "P.G." Mission. That was in 1886. By the time Jesus called me home in 1935, a million sinners had shaken my hand, saying they now loved my Jesus too.

There's a light shining in the dark, sin-cursed world, that all the winds of sarcasm, persecution, hatred, unbelief, materialism, modernism and indifference have never been able to put out.

Last big campaign I had in Chicago was in 1918. We filled that tabernacle by the lakefront with many, many thousands, night after night. The Bible is still the only lamp that throws a ray of light beyond the grave. Nine-tenths of the infidels who attack the Bible have never read it.

If you move, notify the Defender, giving both your old and new addresses.

The kingdom of heaven is at hand for any man or woman who'll put life right with Jesus. Night after night the year round, the faithful lighthouse — "P.G." Mission — is an open door to heaven. I walked in and I met Jesus. Those who attack Jesus have never met Him. What America needs most of all is an old-fashioned mourner's bench.

Eternally yours,

Billy Sunday

P.S. My life verse: "I have fought a good fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith ..." (II Timothy 4:7).

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JOE KURP was born at Shamokin, Pennsylvania in 1902 of Lithuanian parents. His father was a drunkard. When 12 years old, he started to work in a coal mine. A more wicked and treacherous environment for a boy of that age can scarcely be imagined. He was constantly exposed to both moral and physical danger.

An angry scar near his heart still serves as a reminder of a fight, in which he was stabbed, in those boyhood days. Although weakened from loss of blood, he staggered home alone and tried to nurse the wound himself, to keep his mother from learning about the brawl. He suffered many days in silence.

By 1919, the year Kurp joined the army, he was a professional gambler and pugilist, despite his youth. Lead-

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Undermining The Constitution

A History of Lawless Government

"Unless the growth of alienism is arrested, the United States will succumb to totalitarianism like other countries."

THE AMERICAN REPUBLIC is in danger, and Thomas James Norton shows why in his amazing book just published entitled, "Undermining the Constitution, A History of Lawless Government."

Mr. Norton, a native of Vermont, is one of the leading constitutional lawyers of America. He has devoted forty-six years to the practice of law and is highly respected by the members of his profession.

In 1922 he wrote an exhaustive treatise under the title, "The Constitution of the United States," which Chief Justice Taft pronounced the greatest work of its kind in existence. More than half a million copies are now in circulation.

Having watched with increasing anxiety the deterioration of our government during the last fifteen years, Mr. Norton felt impelled to write the present book as a sequel to the former title. He says:

"This second book has had to be written to make known to the American people the manner in which the Constitution, their basic guarantee of inalienable rights, is being demolished by clever, irresponsible men in every branch of the Federal Government.

"If Americans once realize by what steps the Constitution is being bypassed, ignored, and undermined, they will elect representatives who will pledge

themselves to salvage our republican form of government."

The apathy and indifference of many is the principal handicap to be overcome. Masters in the art of propaganda have created false concepts in the public mind. Unless the growth of what Mr. Norton calls "alienism" is arrested, the United States will succumb to totalitarianism like other countries.

Our Constitution stands as the last bulwark against Socialism and Communism. If it is successfully attacked or cast into discard, the blackout of human liberty will be complete.

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MR. NORTON severely criticizes certain educational organizations, colleges and universities for their failure to teach the Constitution and cultivate proper classroom respect for the immortal document. Instances are also cited where red intellectuals of the teaching profession have contributed to undermining faith in the American system of government.

"Under the cloak of 'academic freedom' men in the universities belittled those who wrote the Constitution and pronounced their work faulty and outmoded," says the Author. "The schools, while neglecting to give thorough courses in our history, and especially in constitutional history or the history of

Liberty, admitted objectionable textbooks and periodicals."

Various States enacted laws following the Civil War, requiring the teaching of the Constitution in public schools, but these became dead letters. The same was true after the first World War.

Someone has said that the boys and girls of today are the men and women of tomorrow. What goes into the schools in one generation comes to fruition in the next. So the present governmental chaos, as it appears to be, came not by chance!

Some years ago the American Bar Association made a survey of the law schools of twenty-five leading universities and found that only eight made a knowledge of the Constitution a requisite to a degree. This may explain, in part at least, the comparative silence of the legal profession while "alienism" was introduced into government in the name of a new deal.

Men and women who will be living in later generations through descendants, owe it to their blood (if they do not feel that they now owe it to their Country) to take the subject of constitutional education to heart.

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THE PRINCIPLES of our Government are not outmoded. They are as immutable as those of mathematics. The first of them, so well put by Thomas Jefferson, is that the man,

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to whom power is given, must be chained.

All types of human government fall into one of two categories — government by law or government by men. Those who wish to destroy or circumvent the Constitution would substitute the former for the latter. Since the advent of the New Deal there has been a steady trend toward lifting restraint upon the men in power.

The historians who wrote the Constitution at Philadelphia looked back over the centuries, studied the recurring tyrannies, and set up safeguards against a similar fate for the new world. They separated the Legislative, the Executive and the Judicial powers, and then, by the most careful specifications, limited the application of each class.

Prior to the rise of the Caesars, ancient Rome was a Republic. There was an elaborate distribution of powers, but in time, all were gathered into one hand. The fall of the Republic was followed by the crash of the Empire. A historian says that "statesmen came to disregard all checks in the (Roman) Constitution in order to carry a point."

History often repeats itself. America is drifting in the same direction. What John Adams praised as the "checks and balances" in our Government also will fail unless respect for them returns.

The constitutional system of the United States was the first ever formulated that successfully controlled those in power. Americans should therefore study it like they do the alphabet. Daniel Webster warned that it was "the last hope of the world."

When our schools failed to properly indoctrinate the last generation of youth, a door was thrown open to attack.

Mr. Norton says: "Professors in the universities wrote books in assault of

the Supreme Court. Just what the sons and daughters of the supporters of the institutions of learning were exposed to, in the way of contagion, may best be understood from a few titles of the books which they published." Thereupon he lists the names of eleven typical volumes, devoted to scattering poison among young people of high school and college age.

To overcome Communism and other alienisms, it will be necessary to establish the fact of the superior quality of American doctrines ... even as teaching the kindnesses of Christianity overcame the ideas, brutalities and the power of the Roman Empire.

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MR. NORTON examines step by step the changes responsible for existing conditions, in which the sudden impact of a crisis could jar beyond repair the Nation's foundations.

First, he emphasizes that the United States Government was designed by its founders to be a Republic, rather than a Democracy. The term "democracy" as generally used is a misnomer, because it means government by direct action or mob rule.

A Republic, on the other hand, is a state in which the sovereign power rests with the people, the electorate, to be exercised by representatives whom they choose.

Democracy is the exact opposite of Plato's "Republic," which advocated placing authority in the hands of political scientists, not the mob.

Mr. Norton reminds his readers that the Constitution specifically provides that, "The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican (not democratic) form of government, and shall protect each of them against invasion" ... and then continues: "The choice by the Convention of the Republican or representative form, over the popular or democratic government, followed full and able discussions."

James Madison explained that the plan evolved at Philadelphia anticipated "the delegation of the government to a small number of citizens elected by the rest." Accordingly: "Under such a regulation it may well happen that the public voice, pronounced by the representatives of the people, will be more consonant to the public good than if pronounced by the people themselves, convened for the purpose."

A modern slogan says, "The cure for the evils of democracy is more democracy." Mr. Norton remarks: "We have it."

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ONE GAINS an impression that Mr. Norton regards our greatest single mistake as being the enactment of the Seventeenth Amendment in 1913, which required that Senators be chosen by direct election instead of State Legislatures. This change became the opening wedge for a series of deteriorating developments.

Thus, the two Houses of Congress became *alike*, whereas the Constitutional Convention designed a "House of the People" and a "House of States." Two Houses now represent the people, while the States have no such representation.

Leftist writers and politicians are universally the enemies of States' rights. The idea of forty-eight organic bodies, cemented into a powerful union is repugnant to them, because it renders centralized bureaucracy impossible.

In the days when the House of States was functioning as intended by the founders, Senators accepted seriously and discharged courageously the responsibility cast upon them by the Constitution.

They did not have to be yes-men, under the lash of party control or coercion dictated from the White House. Their obligations were to forty-eight separate governments. They could call their souls their own, be guided by personal conviction and act with absolute independence.

UNDERMINING THE CONSTITUTION

A History of Lawless Government, by Thomas James Norton.

The purpose of this book, written in understandable language, is to make known to the American people the manner in which the Constitution, their basic guarantee of inalienable rights, is being demolished by clever, irresponsible men on the federal payroll. It offers a liberal education in the science of government. PRICE \$3.00 POSTPAID. Order at once from ... Defender Publishers ... Wichita, Kansas.

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Senator George F. Hoar told in his autobiography about visiting Supreme Court chambers to hear Senator Daniel Webster argue a case. Webster began by referring to changes which had taken place in the tribunal since he first appeared before it as counsel:

"Not one of the judges who were here then remains. It has been my duty to pass upon the question of the confirmation of every member of the Bench; and I may say I treated your honors with entire partiality, for I voted against every one of you."

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EVERY CITIZEN who loves his Country should be fortified with the facts given in the chapter of "Undermining the Constitution," which explains the responsibilities of the Supreme Court.

Enemies of constitutional government hate authority. Mr. Norton shows that a plot was organized to discredit the Supreme Court in the eyes of the public. The writing and distribution of books couched in legal vernacular was geared to blatant attacks in the Communist *Daily Worker*, designed to harass the high tribunal.

Some of the books bore such titles as, "Our Despotic Courts," "Is the Supreme Court Too Supreme?" "Government by Judges," "Our Judicial Oligarchy," etc. The Judiciary is the keystone of the American arch. Critics of the Constitution had been chipping at the keystone several years before Franklin Roosevelt, the opportunist, unveiled his plan to pack the court in 1937.

Oliver Ellsworth of Connecticut, a member of the Constitutional Convention, explained the duties of the Supreme Court as follows:

"The Constitution defines the extent of the power of the Central Government. If the General Legislature (Congress) should at any time overleap their limits, the Judicial Department is a constitutional check. If the United States go beyond their powers, if they make a law which the Constitution does not authorize, it is void; and the judicial power, the national judges, who, to secure their impartiality, are to be made independent, will declare it to be void.

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"On the other hand, if the States go beyond their limits, if they make a law which is a usurpation upon the Federal (National) Government, the law is void; and upright, independent judges will declare it to be so."

Roosevelt waited until what he regarded as the psychological moment to strike the Judiciary. To him the Constitution was a document for "horse and buggy days." The Supreme Court ruled against NRA, the AAA and the Bituminous Coal Act. This irked him and the leftist groups who were by that time firmly entrenched in the Executive branch of the Government.

On February 5, 1937, he sent a bland message to Congress, providing that a new justice be appointed by the President when an incumbent reached the age of seventy and refused to retire. At that time there were six justices seventy years or over. To the nine already sitting, the bill would have therefore permitted the appointment of six more.

With those six and the three known new dealers already on the bench, Roosevelt would have had a majority of the fifteen to serve as puppets.

Would a man in public life, animated by true love and respect for his Country, thus try to tinker with the Constitution?

Mr. Norton says: "In what public opinion called 'a great state paper,' the Judicial Committee of the Senate denounced the bill as an 'utterly dangerous abandonment of constitutional principle,' which 'would subjugate the courts to the will of Congress and the President.'"

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IT IS to be regretted that space is available in this review to mention only three of Mr. Norton's major points of emphasis, (1) That our Government is a Republic, not a Democracy, (2) The mistake made by enacting the Seventeenth Amendment and (3) The necessity of opposing those who would demoralize the Judiciary.

Only the first three chapters of "Undermining the Constitution" have been scanned in these comments ... leaving thirteen others which deserve attention. The subjects treated but not touched in the review include:

The Sixteenth or Income-Tax Amendment; Efforts of Socialists and Communists in Government to Assume Police Powers; The Reconstruction Finance Corporation Created Without Authority Granted by the Constitution; A Terrible Drain on Taxpayers' Money by

the Unconstitutional Tennessee Valley Authority Which Puts the Government Into Competition With Private Industry; ...

The Agricultural Adjustment Act, Unlawfully Permitting the President to Reduce the Gold Content of the Standard Dollar; Sinister Motives Behind the Securing of Delaware Charters by Certain New Dealers; Caesarism Reflected in the National Labor Relations Act; The Social Security Act ... and many other, Socialistic and Communistic innovations which have expanded the Constitution beyond both its letter and spirit.

Christian statesmen who founded this Country planned a society of free men who could manage their lives as they wished. A whole nation was granted freedom of the press, of speech, of worship, of assembly, the right of petition, trial by jury, sanctity of property, privacy of home and protection against unlawful seizures by the government.

Now, after nearly a generation of government by an administration without morals, clever, irresponsible men in every branch of the Federal Government are by-passing, ignoring and violating the Constitution.

This is a matter of grave concern to Christians, because only the Constitution stands between them and government by men — dictatorship. They are indebted to the immortal document for the religious liberty enjoyed in this part of the world.

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HELLO AMERICANS. I want to talk to you about something behind the news. Many men died last week. And millions were troubled.

Why men should die and others be tortured and hearts should break ... why wealth and beauty accumulated by toil and vision should be destroyed and the resources of this earth eaten up in war and rivalry just because leaders do not agree about government, troubles many of us.

But I want to talk to you about one particular man who died last week, and his troubles, because there are so many important factors involved. It may have a bearing on your troubles and my troubles.

This man started in Detroit as a tire salesman with an automobile dealer. His worth as several credit men put it when he died, was several million dollars, even though troublemakers had cost him two million dollars during the past three years. He was the builder, proprietor and majority stockholder in three of the world's best radio stations ... WJR in Detroit, WGAR in Cleveland and KMPC in Los Angeles.

DICK RICHARDS

A few days ago, an attorney for the Federal Communications Commission named Cottone reported in favor of the cancellation of the Richards' licenses. While Dick Richards' attorneys were preparing their rebuttals, this troubled man died of a blood pressure.

Dick Richards had been a fearless sort of man, strong for his convictions. Men such as Eddie Rickenbacker had worked for him, with him, respected him. He had been one of the first men to see the future of radio.

A Detroit newspaper owner who did not want to be bothered, gave Richards his first station in trade for an advertising account, as I remember his telling the story. He named it WJR. When he acquired his Cleveland station, now the big one in the Statler

Hotel, he gave it all his initials, WGAR.

Richards was not so much worried for himself or his business, but for his Country. I remember when back in the 30's he began to buy sets of Franklin Roosevelt's speeches and underline the promises that were being broken — promises like "I say to you again and again and again, fathers and mothers of America, your sons will not be sent into foreign wars." And promises such as the campaign pledge to reduce government expenditures by at least one-third and cut down the number of federal employees.

Richards, like the rest of us, admired Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh and the flyer's service to aviation and confidential work for the United States Army. He became perturbed when an organized gang of character assassins did a "job," to use their own words, on Lindbergh, defaming him until editors and radio commentators were told by superiors not to mention the name Lindbergh.

A DEFAMATION ORGANIZATION

Dick Richards was angered and frightened, that such a way had been devised to destroy American leaders and thinkers.

That way was for a certain organization which had millions of dollars to

spend, to hire agents in all parts of the Country and recruit volunteers blinded by prejudice and trained in the art of lying — an organization which kept card indexes on citizens, used wire tapes and put "plants" in private and government offices ...

That way to destroy American leaders was for this organization to map and carry out an attack of scientific defamation, belittling a leader, putting out falsehoods about him faster than he could answer, using commentators and columnists and reporters under its control to repeat those falsehoods and constantly attack, belittle, lie and distort.

Dick Richards and others watched the organization go further, and inspire whole segments of our people to fear and hate chosen victims. Then it went still further and used or inspired pressure on the employers of the victims to make them lose positions or places in their professions.

It went so far as to inspire boycotts of customers against the products of businessmen ... boycotts of book and magazine dealers against publications and writers it wanted to suppress ... postcard and letter writing campaigns against speakers and commentators it wanted to silence.

My friend discovered that this octopus had a head and a brain and scores of arms in the form of affiliate organizations that carried out its smear and boycott campaigns. He learned that the victims selected by the defamation machine were always men who opposed Socialism and Communism. They were always men hated by communist writers ... always men who were obstacles to the political domination and fraud of New Deal policy makers ... always men who loved America more than Russia and put the interests of their own Country first.

He found that defamation material was always prepared by some communist writer and passed on through manifold hands. Those persistently, scientifically and professionally defamed included men like Herbert Hoover, Charles Lindbergh, Douglas MacArthur, J. Edgar Hoover and others who have oppos-

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ed Communism and tried to clean out the treachery in our State Department policies.

PROMOTERS OF THE SEDITION CASE

This organization had such influence in our Department of Justice that for years it was able to persecute, bankrupt and in some cases harass to death loyal Americans, as in the unjust and baseless mass Sedition Case. Many will recall that a federal judge finally threw the case out of court with the pronouncement that it was the most horrible blot on justice in the history of our nation.

This organization was able, after that, to stop cold in Congress a bill to recompense the innocent persons for their losses. Victims of the former Sedition Case in Jefferson's time were recompensed by an ashamed Congress. The unconvicted victims in our time are still being denied compensation.

These are some of the things that Dick Richards found out. In 1944, he came into possession of the confidential budget of the parent defamation organization, a budget of six million dollars raised from frightened people by telling them chosen victims were anti-semitic, or anti-labor, or fascist, or reactionary, or some other lie.

The budget of this pro-Communist outfit is much larger today, and the organization lists on its letterhead (which is hard to get now), thirty odd branches and affiliate offices. From that budget and its donors came the campaign fund used so filthily, said George Sokolsky, to defeat Senator Wheeler in Montana, and the attempted political assassination of Senator McCarran in Nevada.

That organization tries to work in the dark, behind the scenes, and use others for its direct whispering and intimidation. But documentary evidence reveals it.

Recently, the head of that organization, himself, denied to me when I startled him by turning up at a press conference, that a certain man in Cleveland, Ohio, who has spread the organization's defamation, even exists. Yet, he is a man who has been in the public life of Cleveland for 20 years. His name is in the papers all the time.

DEFAMATION RACKET MUST BE DESTROYED

Well, these are things Dick Richards knew. He did not hate anyone for race or religion, or want anyone to lose his job, or be looked down upon. But he wanted the defamation racket of smearing leaders opposing Communism countered, if possible.

That is what he told his executives and newsmen. I was present when he told them. He was not afraid for himself. He was afraid for all free opinion in America.

Dick Richards was a hard man to work for, exacting and, it could be, capricious. I recommended to him a young man who had worked with me at NBC; very capable, I thought — had done a fine job in the Pacific by covering for all the networks for the Bikini atomic bomb explosions. Dick hired him for his Los Angeles station.

The young man later resigned over some personal grievance. He went to a small rival station, controlled by men close to the organization I have just described. He told them that Dick was "anti-semitic." So the power of the organization was used to destroy Dick Richards. And the bureau of the New Deal Administration, which is in sympathy with this organization, turned on the heat.

Richards and his loyal staff have gone through two years of legal persecution, costing two million dollars, I am told. Now my friend is dead, but his fight for Americanism is not over yet!

It isn't over yet!

CONGRESSMAN WERDEL

At this point, I want you to hear our guest speaker, Representative Thomas H. Werdel, of Bakersfield, California, about a subversive scheme he has just

reported to Congress. Congressman Werdel:

MR. WERDEL: Thank you, Mr. Close. There are some follies which baffle argument, which go beyond ridicule, and which excite no feeling in a red-blooded American but disgust. On April 3, of this year, under a special order, I discussed one of those follies to the House of Representatives and to the American people.

In those remarks, I pointed out the following facts: In the 1949 amendment to the National Security Act, Congress provided a program for the future security of the United States. But it also provided, and I quote, "not to establish a single chief of staff over the armed forces or the armed forces general staff."

At that time, Congress deemed it necessary to pass such legislation because a few men in our military establishment were planning a Prussian-type general staff system, with complete control over our economy, manpower, labor and the press. Yes, bills have been drafted to draft labor.

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with recommendations of Mr. Charles E. Wilson, of General Edson, who holds the Congressional Medal of Honor, of the Hoover Commission, of Ferdinand Eberstadt, and many others of the House and Senate and also other well-informed people.

All of those persons realize that placing such power in one supreme military mind, outranking all his advisers, was too much authority for a good man to want because of the danger, and that it was too much power for a bad man to eventually acquire. We should remember that General MacArthur as Chief of Staff, reporting to Congress

in 1932, advised the Congress of military persons seeking unjustified central power.

Our military thinkers are planning to circumvent Congressional intent. I documented my remarks with the Guderian plan prepared for our United States staff, at their request, by Hans Guderian, the past Chief of Staff for Hitler. That plan recommended methods of acquiring complete military control of a nation during war emergency, and it specifically was drawn for the United States.

It also described methods of retaining that power and control during peacetime. It made recommendations for usurping the power of the Presi-

dent of the United States. It recommended the uniform direction and influencing of the press.

It recommended complete control of transportation and industry. It recommended against our present national guard system in peacetime and required central control of military manpower even in peacetime, *which was expressly provided against by the framers of our Constitution.*

This is a matter, Mr. Close, about which I believe members of your listening audience will want to give a great deal of thought.

MR. CLOSE: We are glad, Mr. Werdell, that you could be with us on this broadcast.



GOD'S EAGLES

Sermon of the Month

Dr. R. S. Beal... First Baptist Church... Tucson, Arizona

"As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: So the Lord alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him" (Deuteronomy 32:11-12).

"As an eagle . . . so the Lord."

IT IS APPARENT from this passage that Moses was a close observer of the life and habits of the king of birds. Evidently eagles hovered over his desert camp, giving the people opportunity to observe their ways, so that when he wrote they understood the symbolism which he used.

Who can look out upon nature and not discover that God has put a language into everything that exists? Those who stop long enough to listen, discover the divine voice and rejoice in the message it conveys. "Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge." (Psalm 19:2)

Whether we think of precious stones, beautiful trees, the birds of the air, or mighty mountains and the beasts which rove across them, God is speaking . . . and this unwritten language

is distinct and blessed. We pity those who are too deaf to hear what the Creator is saying by the works of His hands.

The text we are discussing is embedded deep in the Song of Moses — which song, from a literary point of view, is regarded as one of the most majestic pieces of literature in the world. Someone has said: "It is not too much to say that one of the grandest and most comprehensive sections in the Divine Volume lies open before us in this inspired song, and claims our prayerful attention."

Another has said: "For loftiness of conception, for majesty of outlook, for humility of spirit, for wonderful trust in God, nothing in literature excels the song of Moses."

It is interesting to note that even in the face of the burdens which he

bore, Moses died singing . . . and this is as it should be, with the people of God. If we live as Moses did, we may die as he died. How blessed to come down to the end of life with music in the heart and a song on the lips!


When he sang this hymn of praise, the Law Giver had his eyes turned heavenward, because five times he mentions Jehovah as the Rock . . . and five times, within the compass of the opening verses, he mentions five different names and titles of God.

What about the ways of the eagle? First, we are reminded how this great creature

STIRRETH UP HER NEST

And why does the mother bird do this in relation to her eaglets? It is to produce discontent with the old life, and to create a desire to move out into a bigger, broader world. Her little ones have been long enough in the nest, and while it would be comforting to remain in such a restful place, the course of nature decrees otherwise.

The eagle builds her nest in the loftiest trees of the forest or on the impregnable crags of the highest mountain range. When beginning the process of building, she first lays down



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thorns, jagged stones, and other sharp objects, any one of which seems incredible for a nest.

Then she lines it thickly with wool and feathers and the fur of animals. She may use the skins of rabbits, goats or lambs. The nesting place becomes soft and comfortable and a delightful home for the birds which are to be hatched.

But the little creatures are not destined to remain in the home the mother so laboriously prepares for them. The text says that the time will come for her to stir up the nest. She will actually mar her own handiwork. With sharp talons she will tear away the soft downy lining, to make her little ones feel sharp protrusions in their tender flesh.

The mother bird feeds her young generously until the little creatures look like butterballs. All they have done thus far is to swallow food dropped into their mouths and enjoy the home prepared for them. But after the nest has been stirred up, the eaglets become so miserable and unhappy that they are willing to stretch themselves as best they can, get out and try to clutch the air with their frail wings.

This is what the mother wants. It is not cruelty on her part, but rather the creature-love of her heart. She does it for the good of her brood.

"As an eagle" with her eaglets, "so the Lord" with His children. There comes a time when it is necessary for Him to stir up the nest and take away the soft lining. His seeming cruelty is but a manifestation of divine love. God wants us to use our own wings.

He stirred up the nest of young Joseph centuries ago, and the Old Testament makes plain how blessed was the outcome. It is so easy to become wedded to things about us, even good things which often displace the will of God in our lives. In the early Church, the brethren had settled down and matters were running smoothly, but the divine purpose was not being accomplished. The Word had to be taken to the uttermost parts, even as the risen Christ had commanded. The early Christians needed to get out of their nests.

We read, "And at that time (Stephen's death) there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles . . . Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word." (Acts 8:1, 4)

Some of us are too much attached

to our homes and the furniture and the trinkets we have collected along the way. One need but turn to the pages of Church history to learn how the patriarchs and reformers and evangelists had their nests stirred.

Every missionary faces the same thing until he loses interest in the comforts of home, and is ready to face the hardships and toil and dirt of other lands, where the Gospel needs to be preached.

Furthermore, it is God's desire that His little eaglets shall become strong and vigorous and learn to exercise the gifts which His grace has imparted. It is a fundamental principle of human life that growth is accompanied by change and struggle.

The Psalmist sensed this and wrote, "Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God." (Psalm 55: 19) God's grace has imparted wings and His people must learn to attain spiritual heights which cannot be realized without stirring up the nest.

The next act on the part of the eagle is seen in that she

FLUTTERETH OVER HER YOUNG

The mother bird does not flutter in its flight. She flutters over the nest, and in so doing manifests loving care for her brood.

One is reminded how the Bible opens by telling of the Holy Spirit moving upon the face of the deep. He fluttered, as it were, over the world in its need, bringing order out of chaos. The Hebrew word from which *flutter* is translated appears only three times in the Bible, and the English word *flutter* but once.

But why does the great mother bird resort to this peculiar practice? When the little ones begin to whine and complain and find things uncomfortable in the nest, then she rises, shakes her wings and draws their attention

from the uncomfortable nest and causes them to look up.

When things become trying for God's people, He wishes them to look up and become occupied with Himself. The Holy Spirit speaks to us through the Word, moves upon the deep of our souls, and the attention of His children is drawn from the coffin, the grave, the old house and its material possessions and a thousand other



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things. When He gets our attention conditions begin to change.

The mother eagle might flutter all day, and the little ones would never look up so long as they were lying on rabbit's fur and lamb's wool. But when all is briars and sticks and thorns, they change their range of vision.

The third stage in nature's process suggests how she

SPREADETH ABROAD HER WINGS

No other bird has wings comparable to the eagle's. In the nest with her wings folded, she does not appear to be very large. Then the moment comes when she spreads them and prepares for flight. Perhaps her brood watch with amazement, and if they could speak, might say: "Mother never looked so big before."

They had paid little attention to her as she came and went. They were cozy in the nest, but now their place of abode is miserable and this causes them to notice the mother bird more attentively.

Is not this like our Lord as He manifests Himself to us in hours of difficulty and trial? Thorns make us appreciate Him more. He unfolds His magnitude, His glorious attributes, His power and His glory. How capable He is of meeting our need no matter what it is! How simple our problems appear when God shows us the amplitude of His providences, the vastness of His resources and the depths of His grace!

We did not realize how big God was until compelled to throw ourselves upon Him. Most of us will confess that we have believed what the Bible reveals concerning God . . . but we will not know just what it all means until He begins to spread abroad His wings.

I think this is why David sang so often of the wings of God.

The little eaglets have lived very confined lives until now, their world being the nest where they were hatched. Then comes the moment when they discover their mother to be larger than their nesting place, and only then are they ready for the next step.

It is wonderful to know that the resources of God are larger than the needs of body, soul and spirit for time and eternity. The need of the hour is to see God and catch a vision of His strength and power. Some of us may feel as though we are ostracized, minimized or even undersized, yet if we will get our eyes upon God, these things will vanish like vapor before the rising sun. There can be no greater epoch in a man's life than when he comes to understand that in God his needs are met.

The fourth step in the mother bird's dealings with her young is found in the words,

TAKETH THEM

What a crucial moment this is in the life of the young birds! They must now be taken out of the nest.

Possibly the mother had to give the little ones a few hard blows with her beak to get them to move. If still unresponsive or unable to grasp the purpose, she will take them in her talons and cast them out. It seems hard, but the mother eagle with unerring instinct knows best. In a moment the little creatures discover it is only a step from a thorny nest to the soft feathers of mother's wings.

Perhaps we have often complained, feeling that circumstances surrounding us were too severe. We have even accused the heavenly Father of being unfair and unjust, not realizing what His true purpose was.

God is ever seeking our perfection and even if He has to lay the rod upon us, it is for our blessing. "For whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth." (Hebrews 12:6) And Paul reminds us that even if this is not pleasant for the moment, afterward it yields the peaceable fruits of righteousness.

The reason may not be clear at the moment, but we can look for the pleasant "afterward" because it will surely come. If we are free from chastening, then we may well question our relationship to the heavenly Father. The action of His rod comes from the love of His heart.

Finally, we read how she

BEARETH THEM ON HER WINGS

There is no sight in all of nature more marvelous than this. The word for *wings* in this part of the passage is different from the preceding *wings*.

The former emphasizes wings in which feathers lie, but this refers to wings in which strength lies, this being essential for the crucial moment which is upon these eaglets. No doubt the creatures, resting on the mother's wings will take a tighter hold as she begins to move out. The little fellows, for the first time, begin to discover the trees and the mountains receding.

The mother bird is circling into the clear sky rising a thousand, two thousand feet, then of a sudden she gives a sharp lurch. Her little eaglets fall off and tumble and roll and put out little wings in an effort to fly. She watches with approval and when they are halfway to the earth, with the accuracy of a bullet, she shoots under and catches the little ones. Then she soars again to repeat the process until her young learn to fly for themselves.

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Job describes the arrow-like descent of the mother bird — wings folded, head downward, she makes a rapid fall and at the right second spreads her wings and with a backward stroke checks the fall and begins again the ascent.

Here is God's way for making us eagles. Often we feel ourselves going down and down and down, until we feel sure we are soon to be dashed to pieces on the sharp rocks of a deep ravine. But He never fails us, for at the critical moment He will bear us up again.

Soon we learn to fly. God can then

turn us loose in the thunderstorms of the midnight hour or in the blizzard. We have been taught to trust Him and to know He will never forsake us. Eagles have been known to set their faces against a storm and go safely through wind blowing a sixty mile an hour gale.

God teaches His children how to fly, how to keep alive and press on in the face of the sternest opposition.

I read of a business man who had met reverses and in the face of them said, "I never knew the sweetness of home life until my business was shattered and I came back to my family.

How much deeper and more blessed to me is life than ever before."

Child of God, when your nest seems stirred . . . when thorns seem to be pushing against you . . . when you seem thrown out into space, HAVE FAITH IN GOD.

You are learning to fly.

The heavenly Father is watching over you. He is there, waiting and ready because, "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." (Deuteronomy 33:27)

Collier's Attack On Koch Treatment Answered

A NEW BOOK has just been published, devoted to the God-given discoveries of Dr. William Frederick Koch in the realm of biochemistry . . . entitled, "The Koch Treatment Relieves Suffering."

Many scientists and physicians believe that his discoveries are destined to change the whole approach to the treatment of disease. History will credit Dr. Koch with introducing a new dimension into the science of medicine. He has become an instrument in the hands of God for imparting new knowledge to the human race.

Unfortunately, certain groups, animated by greed, are trying to keep this knowledge from reaching those who suffer.

There are drug interests which will lose heavily when the new system gains general acceptance. These groups maintain powerful lobbies and know how to exert pressure. They are taking extreme measures in an effort to keep the facts from the public. This opposition is retarding progress and contributing to unnecessary suffering. But we have faith that "truth crushed to earth will rise again."

Dr. Morris Fishbein, who was recently expelled from a position of leadership with the American Medical Association, has for years directed the attack. But his own unsavory record is by no means a credit to the medical

profession. Someone should tell him about the adage that denies persons living in glass houses the privilege of throwing stones.

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COLLIER'S MAGAZINE included the Koch treatment in a smear article a few weeks ago which has probably confused many people. It has been correctly denounced as "fraudulent fabrication."

"The Koch Treatment Relieves Suffering" contains a chapter which demolishes the attack, replies point by point, and places the magazine on the defensive.

When a publication like *Collier's* goes out of its way to do such a thing, the question of motive naturally arises in the reader's mind.

Why should it assume such a vicious, vengeful attitude? Who was responsible for the action? What motivated the attack?

An answer to these questions has been found. The motive has been established. And this fact makes *Collier's* hopelessly vulnerable.

The chapter in the new book devoted to this subject, (1) answers the numerous falsehoods which the article contains, (2) shows *exactly why* the disgraceful hoax was perpetrated against the public and (3) demonstrates the efficacy of the Koch therapy by adequate documentation.

No effort has been made to be sensational in answering *Collier's*, but the defense, by its very nature, is a sensation.

"The Koch Treatment Relieves Suffering" (price \$1.00) is a documentary of facts, and a reservoir of information on the new science in the treatment of disease. Several Christian physicians contributed to its text.

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THE DEFENDER publishes the truth about Dr. Koch's discoveries solely as a matter of Christian service. Whatever relieves pain comes within the orbit of Christianity. Jesus Christ, in the days of His flesh, was a Man of mercy. The record says He went about doing good.

A typical statement reflecting His attitude toward suffering humanity is found in Matthew 9:36. "But when he

saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd."

This is the real reason why *The Defender Magazine* calls attention to Dr. Koch's beneficent discoveries.

There are thousands of men, women and children alive because, in the providence of God, they learned about the Koch treatment before it was too late. Like Pasteur, Dr. Koch is making chemistry contribute to the relief of human suffering. Abuse was heaped upon Pasteur during his lifetime but subsequent generations have placed a high estimate upon the service he rendered mankind.

A large number of doctors in all parts of the Country are now using the therapy in their practice. Some are bet-

ter qualified by training and experience than others. These men are pioneers who deserve the moral support of Christian people in their respective communities.

In contrast to the negative attitude of men like Fishbein and magazines like *Collier's*, the majority of people are constructive in their thinking . . . and interested in a record of results. Letters are these days pouring into the Wichita headquarters from friends in all parts of the Country who, learning of the Koch treatment through *The Defender Magazine*, have experienced satisfactory results.

Space is available in this article to quote only two such communications. They came unsolicited and are typical of many more. The first is from a man in Galveston, Texas:

"In August, 1950 I requested from you the names of physicians who administer the Koch treatment in Texas. I want to thank you for the information.

"On September 16, 1950 Dr. Sam H. Hitch of Lubbock, Texas, gave me Glyoxylide in the left arm for arthritis of the spine and both hands and left ankle. To date I have gained thirty-three pounds. Both hands and ankle are all cleared up and I am free from pain. I have not lost a day's work since. I received the second treatment May 15, 1951 at Lubbock, Texas.

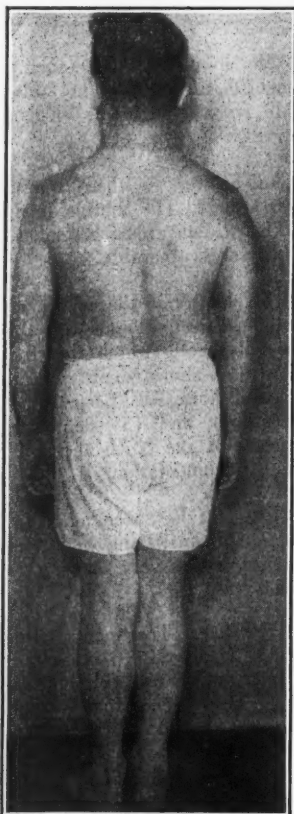
"Thanks to *The Defender Magazine* for information regarding the Koch treatment. I have been in hospitals and doctored constantly for the past five years with no relief until now."

The second letter was sent by a man in Grand Forks, North Dakota. This is what he wrote:

"As I know that you are very interested in the Koch treatment, I am writing you a few lines to let you know that I have just returned home from Corning, Arkansas, where I was hospitalized and under treatment by Dr. Schirmer, your friend and mine, for twenty-five days.

"My trouble is cancer in both lungs and throat and when I found that Dr. Schirmer had a hospital and was giving the Koch treatment, I knew that was the place to go.

"I wrote for an appointment and was admitted on the first day of May. Three days later I was given the shot (as they call it) and can say that I responded to the treatment wonder-



Joe Hallman before he received the Koch Treatment.

THE CASE OF JOE HALLMAN

fully and could feel it starting to work the very next day. On the seventh day I had a very good reaction and also on the twenty-first. I can say that I am improving every day and as time passes on, every morning I feel a little change.

"I have surely thanked God for Dr. Koch and I hope and pray that he may continue on for many years to come. And Dr. Schirmer is as fine a person as I have ever met and I know that he has every case in his hospital at heart.

"I thank you, Dr. Winrod, for it was through *The Defender Magazine* that I found out about the treatment. May the Lord bless and reward you for all your good work and faithful Christian testimony."

These two letters, with many others of a similar nature, are in the files of our Wichita office. They have been quoted for the encouragement and enlightenment of those who suffer. May God use them to His glory! We feel compensated for our efforts when letters like these are received.

Dr. Koch's discoveries are so in harmony with the laws of nature and the operative will of God that devout Christians testify to spiritual ease when praying for patients to whom the treatment is administered.

Professor Joseph Maisin of Louvain University, in Belgium, said these words before the Canadian Cancer Commission at Ottawa in 1940:

"The Koch formula should not be called merely a cancer cure. It is a very important step in medicine and is apt to change the whole picture of medicine and pathology. Dr. Koch is doing wonderful things."

This opinion is shared by many men of science who have investigated the new system. It is also the opinion of several thousand physicians in the United States and other parts of the world who are witnessing astounding results in treating their patients.

Such words as cancer, tuberculosis, polio and the names of other ailments to which the human body is heir, will lose their terror as knowledge regarding the Koch system increases. There can be no real argument against success. And the catalysis method of treating disease is proving successful. Enemies cannot hope to harm it on therapeutic grounds because too many cures have been effected. Dr. Koch's discoveries are here to stay.

FOUR PHOTOGRAPHS accompany this treatise, depicting the beneficent results enjoyed by Mr. Joe Hallman, who received the Koch treatment at Palma Ceia Hospital in Tampa, Florida.

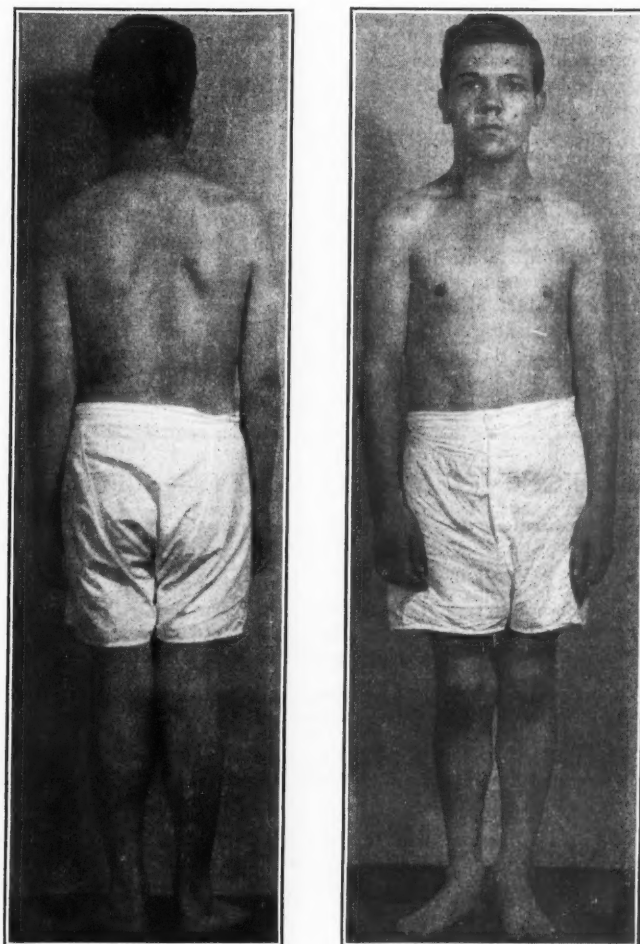
Dr. Julian F. Baldor was the physician in charge. The history of this case, as recorded in the files of the hospital, is as follows:

Mr. Joe Hallman, 19 years of age. Male. Patient first appeared at our clinic on July 7, 1947. For five years

prior had been under medical care, in an attempt to correct excessive weight and a mental disturbance. Large amounts of thyroid medication had been given to satisfy glandular deficiency, without effect.

Physical examination showed a mentally retarded boy, with sleeping-face expression and excessive weight, most of which was located over the hips, lending a female appearance more typical on the posterior view. His face was swollen so that the eyes appeared closed.

Weight 116 pounds; height, four feet ten inches. Blood pressure was extremely low at 80/65. Heart normal in position and tonus. The rest of his physical examination was normal with



Joe Hallman after he received the Koch Treatment.

exception of lack of hair distribution on the back of his head, as well as marked atrophy of the testicles.

These clinical findings resembled the typical glandular disorder described years ago by Dr. Frolich and designated today as "Frolich Syndrome."

The patient received Glyoxylide on August 1, 1947. By the following November he had lost 16 pounds, without additional medication of any kind. He mentioned severe headaches, but the outstanding improvement was mental, to such an extent that he became an entirely different person.

His memory was better, as well as his ability to answer questions during conversation. His blood pressure rose to 110/80, and the excessive fat deposits over the hips and shoulders faded away. He remains well until the present and the change in his physical appearance is phenomenal.

Glandular disorders of this sort have yielded remarkably to the Koch treatment. This patient's complaints began during early adolescence at a time when interrelation of glandular function becomes important.

The pituitary gland, located in the base of the brain, has been spoken of as the "master gland" as well as the "central station," controlling thyroid activity, the adrenals, testicles and other organs. The fact of its location upon and under the base of the brain gives the pituitary a direct participation in the water control balance in the human body.

This explained the puffy expression of patient Hallman as well as his excessive weight. He was sick for five years, receiving multiple treatments under skilled medical attention, without improvement. Glyoxylide brought his glandular system back to work with a total re-establishment of its own function.

There is a tendency on the part of medical practitioners to place too great confidence in the use of glandular preparations for correction of such abnormalities as thyroid deficiencies and female amenorrheas or infertility. The medication is usually given in large doses over a prolonged period. The effect is to produce a secondary atrophy of the particular gland in deficiency. This is a frequent outcome of the use of insulin for diabetic patients. Prolonged administration for years finally produce in such patients a complete atrophy of the insulin islets of the pancreas, with inability to re-establish the production of insulin in the future.

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Editor's Note: This concludes the record of Mr. Hallman's case, from the files of Palma Ceia Hospital . . . in Tampa, Florida.

It was the Editor's good fortune to attend the last annual convention of the Christian Medical Research League at Detroit, as one of the speakers. Physicians who use Koch therapy were there from all parts of the United States. I counted it a privilege to be associated with these doctors, for the most part Christian men, who have trained themselves in the new science for the treatment of disease.

Every session of the convention was opened with prayer, a Bible reading and a period of devotions. An unusual service was held on the last day, Sunday afternoon, in the Temple Baptist Church of Detroit. Dr. Sam Swain, preacher and president of the League, presided.

There were several patients in the pulpit who had been cured of diseases heretofore regarded as being incurable. Case histories, setting forth their condition before and after the treatment was administered, were presented. The documentation included sworn statements, X-ray pictures, hospital records, clinical findings and authenticated reports by attending physicians. There could be no question as to the validity of the testimonials given.

This was a medical gathering sponsored by a reputable medical organization, with God being given the glory for its achievements.

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IT SEEMS APPROPRIATE to draw this treatise to a close by quoting from the Introduction of the book entitled "The Koch Treatment," even though the words may be somewhat repetitious.

"The discoveries of Dr. William Frederick Koch are regarded by multitudes of religious folk as a gift of God to our day and generation. Dr. Koch is a Christian. His attainments as a scientist have confirmed rather than mitigated faith in God and the word of God. History will record him as one of the great benefactors of mankind.

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VERY OFTEN in history, human problems have reached great crises, though probably never so acute as one as now. Very often devout men and women have, in sublime faith, committed public affairs into the hands of the Creator. Many times, as they have done so (history tells the story), something has happened. Supreme catastrophe, final disaster, has been averted. The seemingly impossible has been achieved.

Having made so great a mess of our affairs, men would be foolish in this hour not to return to the old paths, and with the humility and faith which is an essential condition, seek divine guidance in this time of peril and perplexity. Man, on his own, has not so brilliant a record that he has any justification to be too proud to do this.

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If editors of this school of thought would cut down the space they give to crime and irrelevancies, and would report something of the fine work being done by those who are hard at work on this job; and finally

If Members of Congress and Parliament would extend formal prayers to a definite period of devout practice; then the entire situation would, we believe, be transformed.

—Intelligence Digest.

MARK OF THE BEAST

REPRESENTATIVE John T. Wood of Idaho is called "the Bible-quoting Republican" in Washington because of his frequent references to Scripture when making speeches.

On June 24th, he denounced the proposed Controls of the Truman Administration as a trend toward the end-time dictatorship anticipated in the Apocalypse.

"It would be far better," he said, "for the American people to starve, go ragged or barebacked and lose their homes, than submit to the administration's immoral and vicious price and wage controls . . . Again one is constrained to pray, 'How long, O Lord, how long?'"

Citing press reports of a New York speech by Price Administrator DiSalle in which DiSalle revealed the administration wants to license all businesses, so they can be put out of operation in the event of violating controls, Mr. Wood said the following Biblical quotation applies:

"And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name."

"This passage refers to the operations of the mystic 'beast' of the Revelation," he continued, "who has always been supposed to be the very incarnation of all evil.

"One wonders just how far this governmental monstrosity presently in control of our affairs, is to be permitted to extend its nefarious and unconstitutional usurpations before an intelligent and aroused Congress wipes the criminal and ignorant tommyrot out of existence.

"It has neither fundamental law nor

good sense to warrant its pitifully childish attempts to bring order out of the chaotic conditions under which business is writhing today, due largely to the operation of the unsound monetary system foisted upon this unhappy Country in the first days of the New Deal.

"No more controls is what this Country needs. It badly needs the abolition of all the existing unconstitutional, unwise, and un-American restrictions to the free exchange of trade which have been the cause of much of the uncertainty, fear and confusion existing today."

DEAN ACHESON

MR. SPEAKER, anyone familiar with Dean Acheson's long record of double talk and suppression of the facts might have known that his account of the United States policy toward China would vary considerably from the facts.

General Wedemeyer's testimony yesterday spotlighted several such instances. All are shocking, but none is more dismaying to me than General Wedemeyer's account of how Acheson and other Truman administration officials bowed to the will of the Chinese Communists and canceled Wedemeyer's appointment as Ambassador to China in 1946.

I hope that Acheson is called back at once by the committee, for whatever it may accomplish toward unearthing the rest of this strange story, although I must confess that Acheson's omission of this vital event from his testimony causes me to doubt the value of all his testimony.

General Marshall also should be called back inasmuch as he, too, unfortunately, failed to mention his part in this shameful episode to the committee.

—From a speech before Congress by Representative Dondero.

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DREW PEARSON

Special bulletin from the Southern California Republican Women ... Los Angeles.

"Herbert Hoover supports Earl Warren," says Drew Pearson, but what does Herbert Hoover say to Southern California Republican Women?

Drew Pearson, long noted for his peculiar interest in California politics and political figures, has done it again.

In his column, published locally, he first devotes a couple of paragraphs to describing his version of Republican leaders playing hide-and-seek with General Douglas MacArthur through the corridors and telephone booths of the Waldorf-Astoria. But, according to Pearson, the only Republican who "caught up" with the General was Herbert Hoover.

And, says Pearson, this is what Herbert Hoover seriously whispered into the ear of MacArthur: "Are you interested in politics, General?" And MacArthur, says Pearson, told our ex-President: "No."

Now, quoting directly from the Pearson column:

"Hoover then gave MacArthur his own ideas about the Republican candidate for the Presidency in 1952 and went all out for Gov. Earl Warren, of California. Hoover unhesitatingly described Warren as the best qualified man on the entire GOP horizon. Not given much to enthusiasm, Hoover almost waxed enthusiastic about Governor Warren."

Then came the parting-and-typical "Pearson" touch. He said: "and unlike Taft, he (meaning Earl Warren) would probably get some labor backing in a national election." Well.

We southern California Republican women don't believe all we read, and especially not Drew Pearson's reporting, so we did the logical thing and sent a wire to the office of Herbert Hoover. The reply speaks for itself. "Southern California Republican Women:

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Hoover is supporting a particular man for President. Mr. Hoover has taken no part in such politics for some years and obviously any statement of this kind is untrue. Mr. Hoover does not believe this source should be credited by anybody.

"Bernice Miller,
"Secretary to Mr. Hoover."

JUDGE MEDINA

THE BEHAVIOR of Federal Judge Harold R. Medina, who presided at the trial of the eleven top-ranking United States Communists, is creating renewed confidence in the American judicial system.

Many leaders of the legal profession have expressed concern over the deterioration of the judiciary under New Deal management. No straight-thinking observer will deny that inferior appointments have been made to the bench.

Loss of public confidence in the courts is an ominous trend under democratic government. The man who sits on the bench has a unique and solemn obligation. To render righteous decisions, he must completely transcend prejudice and maintain an entirely objective attitude as the evidence accumulates before him. At no other point in the American system of government is character more needed.

Jurisprudence hit an all-time low in the 1944 Sedition Case, when a New Deal judge deliberately tried to railroad innocent victims of a Communist conspiracy through his courtroom to prison. It is now known that the Case was planned, plotted and promoted by B'nai B'rith Jewry, which worked in part through carefully chosen Gentile fronts. Max Levand of the *Wichita Beacon* figured prominently in the plot.

In dismissing the charges against the defendants, an honest judge later called the case "a travesty on justice."

Chief Justice John Marshall, generally regarded as the greatest judge that ever sat on the bench, in his

seventy-fifth year, said: "Advert, sir, to the duties of a judge. The judicial department comes home in its effects to every man's fireside. It passes on his property, his reputation, his all. Is it not to the last degree important that he should be rendered perfectly and completely independent, with nothing to influence or control him but God and his conscience?"

Judge Medina's recent statement of faith was written in the same vein: "There is much in the Bible about judges, but I do not know of any judge who has discussed the impact of religion upon his profession. Fortunately for me, I was taught to pray from so early a time that I cannot remember going to bed at night without saying my prayers. I do not see why a judge should be ashamed that he prays for divine guidance and for strength to do his duty."

JOSEPH KAMP

IN 1945, a committee of the House, led by then Congressman — late Secretary of Agriculture — Clinton P. Anderson, called before it one Joseph Kamp, who was the directing official of the Constitutional Educational League.

That organization was not a political organization. It was engaged in the publication and circulation of leaflets and pamphlets which advocate constitutional government, bitterly criticized Communists and their activities and, incidentally, the philosophy of the New Dealers and the advocates of One World organizations.

There was no charge that the publications of the League were seditious, libelous, or that activities in any way violated any postal regulations or law of the land, either State or Federal.

The publications of the League were more or less factual; the arguments comparatively logical and the conclusions set forth relatively sound. But those publications, because they pointed out the danger from Communism and

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named certain Communists in positions of authority in the Administration, were extremely harmful to the New Deal cause.

The House committee inquiring into election activities and of which Congressman Anderson of New Mexico was chairman, even though the Constitutional Educational League was not engaged in political activities, subpoenaed Kamp and demanded that he name those who were making contributions to the League.

The Committee was directed by a staff, under the leadership of John Abt, who had held responsible positions in the Roosevelt and Truman administrations.

Abt was later shown, by the testimony of Lee Pressman, who also held responsible Government positions under the New Deal and who was general counsel of the CIO, to be a member of the same Communist cell as did Pressman and Nathan Witt, at one time general counsel for the National Labor Relations Board.

Pressman admitted all three — he, Abt and Witt, while on the administration payroll, belonged to the same Communist cell here in Washington.

Kamp, realizing that Abt's purpose was, by smear and vilification, by pressure and intimidation, to induce those who contributed to the League to withhold their contributions, refused to name the contributors to the League. He preferred to thwart the efforts of the Communists, to protect those who had contributed to the effort to maintain constitutional Government in this Country by standing upon his constitutional right going to jail.

On the theory that the League was engaged in political activities — and it requires a violent stretching of the imagination to reach that conclusion — a New Deal Congress voted to cite him for contempt. Kamp was convicted, served his time, and will again be tried for a subsequent refusal to bend the knee and bow the head to the Truman administration when called before the House Lobbying Committee in an obvious attempt to destroy the League.

—From a speech before Congress by Representative Clare Hoffman.

COMMUNISM, ZIONISM, ATHEISM

MR. SPEAKER, the American people are disturbed today as they have never been disturbed before; and they have a right to be.

We are in the most critical condition this Country has ever faced, and that condition is growing worse day by day.

While our boys are fighting and dying by the tens of thousands on foreign soil, the enemies within our gates are busy trying to wreck the Government of the United States, destroy the American way of life, wipe out our Christian civilization and subordinate us to a world government that seems to embrace Communism, Zionism, atheism, anarchy, and infidelity.

The members of the so-called United Nations even refuse to open their meetings with prayer. No reference to God Almighty, or to Jesus Christ, is allowed at the opening of their unholy assemblies.

Our enemies are trying, through this so-called United Nations, to wreck this Government and subordinate us to the domination of alien influences that would turn back the clock of time to the dark ages of the pre-Christian era.

This so-called United Nations is attempting to interfere with the laws of every State in this Union, in order to destroy everything our people have built in the last 400 years.

They are attempting to outlaw the alien land laws of certain States, when they have no more right to meddle with them than they would have to revoke the Ten Commandments.

They are trying to change our marriage laws in various States over which they have no jurisdiction, and with which they have no more right to meddle than they would to rearrange the solar system.

They are trying to interfere with the school laws in the various States for the sole purpose of stirring up race trouble throughout the Country.

Both Houses of Congress had better wake up, get America out of this so-called United Nations, and turn back this tide of fanaticism that threatens our destruction.

—From a speech before Congress by Representative John Rankin.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK, MAN OF PRAYER

ON CHIANG KAI SHEK'S desk is a well-thumbed Bible printed in Chinese. His first order of business in the morning is a half hour of solitary religious devotion, in which he reads portions of both the Old and New Testaments. If he has any favorite passages, they are in the Psalms.

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—Clyde Farnsworth, Far East Journalist.

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ers of the prize fighting profession were already taking him seriously because of his record for winning six consecutive bouts. Bob Fox, welter-weight champion of South America, became his manager. This put him in the big money!

True to human nature, Kurp could not stand prosperity. Dissipation, especially drink, soon began to make demands upon his body. He fought the heavyweight champions of Canada and Germany, losing both fights. Thereafter he joined a circus and became a major attraction.

As time went on, he bought and sold barrooms, restaurants, pool halls, gambling dens and hotels. Connections were formed with the underworld while moving from place to place. He figured in a gun battle and was held 28 days in jail as a murder suspect before being acquitted.

The turning point in his life took place at Sunbury, Pennsylvania, where he bought a hotel and decided to settle permanently. There seemed to be a quickening of new forces in his soul. The Holy Spirit was undoubtedly creating a spiritual climate about him ... according to Philippians 2:13.

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PREFERRING to live away from the hotel, Kurp rented an apartment. The owner, a godly woman, quickly sensed his need of the Saviour. She talked with him about salvation and at first her words seemed like a foreign language.

"I was as ignorant of free grace as any heathen in Africa," he says. "But the lady was patient in explaining the claims of Christ, and to my own amazement I found myself willing to listen. She had a real knowledge of the Scriptures and gradually cleared up several questions that were in my mind."

Realizing that a man was needed to deal with her new candidate for conversion, she called in James Ney, a Christian layman of Sunbury. Kurp showed interest and was courteous, but considered himself too great a sinner to be saved.

Before the first interview ended, however, Ney secured the promise that he

would dial a certain Gospel radio program the following Friday. He accepted an invitation to attend a street meeting a short time later. Ney was the speaker ... and Romans 10:9-10 was his text:

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Kurp says that in some mysterious way the full meaning of this passage flooded his soul. It seemed that scales suddenly dropped from his eyes. The cloud in which he had been enveloped vanished.

Then and there, at that street meeting, with tears streaming down his cheeks, Joe Kurp accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour and entered immediately upon a new life.

"Old things passed away ... all things became new."

Kurp's former cronies have utmost respect for him. He has been able to win some to Christ.

Jack Dempsey never fails to get in touch with Joe when he visits Chicago. They like to get together and talk over old times.

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On one such occasion, not long ago, Kurp handed him a New Testament and said: "Jack, you have autographed all kinds of things during your career, but I want you to put your autograph in the Word of God."

Dempsey wrote: *Good Luck, Reverend Joe, from your friend, Jack Dempsey.*

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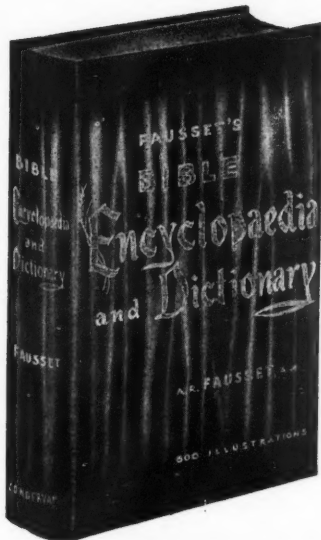
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THE WORLD'S GREATEST quest is happiness. Happiness is the thing that everyone is in pursuit of, but most people are going to the wrong source to find it. Some have tried social distinctions and political prominence. Others have tried wealth.

Those who have tried to find it in the accumulation of money all tell the same story. They will tell you they spent the first half of their lives trying to get it from the other fellow, and that they spent the last half of their lives trying to keep the other fellow from taking it away from them, and that they found peace in neither half.

Where is happiness? It is not in fame. Lord Clive had plenty of that. When he came back from India he found the English people in transports of joy over his success. The houses of Parliament and places of business closed their doors while multitudes from all walks of life lined the streets to do him honor. But with the plaudits of the people ringing in his ears he climbed into the attic and sent a bullet whizzing through his brain.

In speaking of fame, Horace Greeley said: "Fame is a vapor, popularity is an accident; riches take wings and fly away, and those who bless you today may curse you tomorrow."

There is only one thing that endures, namely, character, for character is based upon conscience, and conscience is rooted in Christianity.

WHAT HAPPINESS IS NOT

Where is happiness? It is not in unbelief. Voltaire, the noted French infidel, had plenty of that, and he said, "I wish I had never been born."

Where is happiness? It is not in pleasure. Lord Byron had lots of that, and yet he said, "The worm, canker, and grief are mine."

Where is happiness? It is not in military glory. Alexander conquered worlds and wept because there were no more to conquer.

Happiness is not found in things outside yourself. The prodigal son thought that in order to be happy he would have to go a long way off, so he went into a "far country," not realizing that the fountain of sweetest joy springs from *within* us and not *without* us.

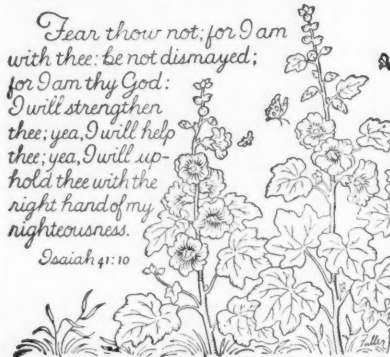
When I see a person seeking happiness at the dance, at the movie, at the saloon, at the gambling den, I know he has never found happiness. The prodigal did not find joy in the husks.

Where is happiness? It is not in possessions. If there had been lasting joy in possessions, surely Solomon would have found it. If there had been lasting joy in the art world, Solomon surely would have had it. If there had been lasting joy in the financial world, Solomon would have had it.

He was not only a millionaire; he was a billionaire. He inherited a legacy of more than \$800,000,000. He could have bought out Standard Oil or United States Steel. If there had been abiding joy in the social world, he surely would have had it, for he had more wives than Brigham Young.

*Fear thou not; for I am
with thee; be not dismayed;
for I am thy God:
I will strengthen
thee; yea, I will help
thee; yea, I will up-
hold thee with the
right hand of my
righteousness.*

Isaiah 41:10



But listen to Solomon after he has indulged himself to the full in all the world's obtainments and attainments. He says: "Vanity, vanity, all is vanity and vexation of spirit."

SOUL SATISFACTION

The rich Jewish farmer tried to secure happiness in the same manner. He said, "Soul, eat, drink and be merry." Just as if he could make his soul happy on such inadequate externals as eats and drinks. Eats and drinks might make a horse happy, but not a soul. It is unphilosophical to think about making an immaterial soul happy on the substances of a material world. Husks are too coarse a food for the soul.

The smallest soul God ever made is too big to ever become satisfied on *things*. And according to what one preacher said years ago, there must be some pretty small souls. This preacher was asking his official board for a little raise in his salary. That board had two men who always thought it was their duty to oppose any motion that would raise a preacher's salary, so one of the fellows rose and said: "Why, Reverend, I thought all this time you were preaching for souls." The pastor said: "I am preaching for souls, but I cannot live on souls, and if I could, it would take 875,000 the size of yours to make one good meal."

No, the world cannot satisfy a soul. The world is a big cheat, a swindle. It fleeces everybody it gets its hands on. It does not pay ten per cent of satisfaction; no, not two per cent.

Things cannot satisfy. Give a man five dollars a day, and he will want ten. Give him ten and he will want twenty. You cannot settle the labor question by shorter hours and bigger money, for satisfaction is something acquired only in the realm of the soul.

Elect a man constable, and he will want you to elect him sheriff. Elect him sheriff, and he will want you to elect him to Congress. Elect him to Congress, and he will want you to elect him President. Elect him President once, and he will want you to elect him President twice; elect him President twice, and he will want you to elect him three times.

Yes, the soul in its pursuit of happiness has taken man in every direction. It leaves its trail everywhere. Its tracks are found by the side of every earthy pool and cistern of pleasure.

NINE ROUTES TO HAPPINESS

If we want to know how to find happiness, let us read the Sermon on the Mount. In the first few verses of the fifth chapter of Matthew Christ has laid down the road to happiness. He says that happiness is not born of what we have or do not have, but of what we are. "Blessed are the poor in spirit." "Blessed are they that mourn." "Blessed are the meek." "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness." "Blessed are the pure in heart." Christ did not say "Blessed is the man who has amassed a fortune," nor, "Blessed in the woman who has become the darling of society," nor, "Blessed is the man who has a summer cottage on the seashore," but rather, "Blessed are the pure in heart." In these nine "blesseds" He gives us nine routes to happiness, but they all converge in His own glorious person.

I heard Bishop Jones say more than forty years ago: "True happiness can exist only where it has for its basis a right character, and a right character can exist only where it has for its basis moral purity."

Happiness does not come by indulgence; it is governed by law. You can get something that resembles happiness by indulgence, but it is not happiness.

A young person said to me: "Mr. Lincicome, you must have a dull time in life." I said: "What makes you think so?" "Because there are so many things you can't do that we can."

Let me show you her reasoning, her logic. She is happier than I am simply because she can do some things I can't. I said to her: "You know many young people who can do things you would not do; you would not stoop to do them; they are far beneath your ideas of right. But according to your reasoning, they are happier than you are, because they can do some things you would not do. You know they are not happier than you are, and I know you are not happier than I am, for to be a Christian is to be the happiest person on earth. Happiness is not dependent on outward circumstances, but rather on inward harmony, and it is possible only to an evenly balanced and properly adjusted soul."

True happiness is not on the bargain counter. You can buy a little pleasure for fifty cents, and have a little fun for a quarter, but you can't buy happi-

ness. Happiness does not consist in getting, but in giving. It does not consist in the multiplication of one's wealth, but rather in the subtraction of one's desires.

So many have the idea that to become a Christian means the surrender of happiness. Not so; Christianity is not a fast; it is a feast. It is not a funeral; it is a festival. It is not a law; it is liberty. It is not gloom; it is gladness. It is not a shadow; it is sunshine.

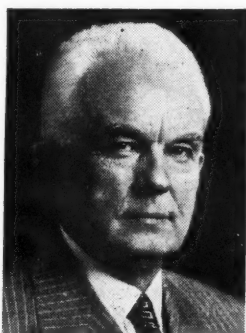
Carlyle said that happiness is like a common fraction, of which the numerator is what you have, and the denominator is what you think you have. The deluded soul seeks to increase the

value of the fraction by multiplying the numerator, while the wise seek the same end by dividing the denominator.

Diogenes the Greek philosopher said: "A man's happiness is best promoted by the decrease of his wants, rather than by an increase in his income."

CONTENTMENT IN CHRIST

If you would have *unbounded* contentment you must have *bounded* desires. The Christian is the only person who has unbounded contentment, for he is the only person who has "bounded" desires. The desires of a Christian are bounded by the will of God. He desires nothing out and beyond the will of God.



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Many people live for "things," but that is a mistake, "for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." There are those whose estimate of life is found in thrills, but God's Word says: "She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth." Since that is true, then there certainly are a lot of animated corpses walking the streets nowadays.

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copied what he had written and showed it to his sister and brother-in-law. They were enthusiastic and at once had the verses printed on handbills and distributed. Soon the song was being sung to the tune, "Anacreon," a familiar melody at that time, and Francis Scott Key's lines were widely known.

Even today, however, most United States citizens know relatively little about the man who wrote what has become our national anthem. But the essential facts are these:

Born August 1, 1779, in Frederick, Maryland, he was the son of a patriot who had served as an officer in the Continental Army during the American Revolution. Growing up in Frederick, he was later sent to St. John's College in Annapolis, afterward studying law in the same city.

Like many of the prominent men of his day, Key was an earnest Christian. A member of the Episcopal Church, he was for many years a lay reader and even at the age of thirty-five considered entering the clergy.

Records show that he taught a Sunday School class and visited the sick regularly. Though living in the slave state of Maryland, he freed his own slaves and aided in bettering conditions among the Negroes. Perhaps even more significant, he conducted family devotions in his home twice a day, requiring all members of his family, as well as the servants, to be present.

Key was not a prolific writer, but he did write other songs. His hymn, "Before the Lord We Bow," was written for a Fourth of July celebration in 1832. A second hymn which is still found in many hymnbooks is his beautiful "Lord, With Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee."

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British began to hurl shells against Fort McHenry at the entrance to the Baltimore harbor. As flash after flash split the darkness, the lawyer and his friends strained their eyes for some evidence of how the fort was faring. Still the ships' guns continued to rake the mainland.

Toward morning, when the bombardment had ceased, others in the party of Americans retired to get some sleep. But the lawyer could not rest. Up and down the deck he paced until, through the early morning haze, he glimpsed the Stars and Stripes, still flying from the fort.

Filled with emotion, he jotted down several lines on a scrap of paper. Thus on shipboard, "by the dawn's early light," Francis Scott Key penned the now familiar stanzas of "The Star Spangled Banner."

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They are (1) A World, gripped in the power of sin and death. (2) Christ, seeking to save all men through infinite love and redeeming grace. (3) The Church, to whom has been given the commission of discipling the nations.

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"The night cometh, when no man can work!"

THE VALUE OF A SOUL

We need to fix our gaze upon the Son of God who purchased the redemption of the world by His own blood.

*Five bleeding wounds He bears,
Received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers;
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The truth must be seen in its full implications, that the Church, despite its human frailties and weaknesses, yet remains the link between the two opposite factors of the missionary problem — Christ and the World.

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Jesus said, in substance, place a soul on one side of the balances and

the whole world on the other ... and the former will outweigh the latter. He drew the comparison by using a question:

"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

Precious souls are slipping into eternity without Christ, having no hope, lost in a black night of despair. This tragic fact stirs the hearts of believers, who love the Great Commission, and supplies the motivation for all true missionary endeavor.

BASIC FACTORS OF THE PROBLEM

The World is the most unpredictable of the three factors previously mentioned. All classes of men, of all ages and experience, are dealt with on mission fields. Missionaries need the fullest preparation, in order that they may know how to properly present Christ to lost souls, living under varying circumstances.

When all factors of the problem are defined, it remains to relate each to the others in such a way as to reach a solution. It is at this point that difficulty arises — the quality of the situation which makes it a problem.

A school teacher was once chagrined because his pupils manifested little interest in the solution of problems, after learning the answers from the back of the book. He discovered his mistake and gave the class other problems. Their interest increased when they found it necessary to work for the answer.

Not until they analyzed each problem and found the difficulty, did it become possible for them to evolve solutions. Two difficulties present themselves in the problem of missions:

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(2) The second difficulty lies in the workers themselves. Disobedience, selfishness, and discouragement renders one unfit for this great calling. Constant watchfulness and prayer is required on the part of the soul winner.

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LESSON NUMBER ONE

July 15, 1951
BUILDING A CHRISTIAN HOME
Matt. 19:3-9; I Cor. 13:4-7

MEMORY TEXT: "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God." I John 4:7.

(1) THE KEY WORD IS "JOINED."

The success of the home depends upon the ideals of those who enter into marriage, and the willingness of both parties to fulfill faithfully their new responsibilities. High ideals of marriage, based on previous home training along Scriptural lines, makes home a place of beauty — be it ever so humble.

The Jewish interrogators of today's lesson were trying to trip the Master, hoping to get Him into trouble with both their ecclesiastical authorities and the rabble. There was a deliberate scheme behind the question: "Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?"

The Mosaic decree, recorded in Deuteronomy 24:1, provided that a "bill of divorcement" could be granted if a man found "some uncleanness" in his wife. A controversy raged over the right interpretation of the word "uncleanness."

Jamieson, Fausset and Brown offer this comment: "While one school of interpreters (that of Shammai) explained this quite correctly, as prohibiting divorce in every case save that of adultery, another school (that of Hillel) stretched the expression so far as to include everything in the wife offensive or disagreeable to the husband. And, indeed, to this day the Jews allow divorces on the most frivolous pretexts."

Moses had permitted divorce as a matter of expedience, a provision permitted as a substitute for that which is ideal. He considered the arrangement the best or most expedient that could be enforced under prevailing conditions in his age. Solon, the famous Athenian lawgiver, said his laws were the best the Athenians could receive,

not the best that could be devised. The permission of divorce which Moses gave was a declension from the original ideal, and by no means represented God's standard for the human race.

Christ pointed them to higher authority than Moses — the original plan of God in creation. From that viewpoint it is seen that man and woman were constituted for each other, created to be together, not apart.

Our Lord very well understood what was in the minds of the inquisitors. He knew they were trying to get Him into trouble. Hence the stinging rebuke about the "hardness of your hearts."

Marriage is more than a civil contract. Because it is a divinely established institution, those who choose to enter into that relation are in a real sense joined by God, and duty bound to abide by His law relating thereto.

Christian marriage has love as its basis, with respect and loyalty toward one's lifelong companion. This includes not only marital love, but that described in the 13th chapter of I Corinthians, the kind kindled in the heart of believers who enjoy spiritual union with Christ. It is a temper of mind and soul which causes its possessor to have a charitable, long-suffering and unselfish attitude toward others. Possession by husband and wife of this kind of love is the best single guarantee of a successful home.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS MATTHEW 19:6.

"What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."

It may be said without contradiction that the national crime problem stems largely from non-Christian homes, many of which have been shattered by divorce.

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Bitter heartache and regret is the usual testimony of those who resort to divorce as a solution of home problems, with an attending train of ill effects upon children deprived of normal family relationships.

There is a crying need for an awakened conscience regarding the moral laws which apply to marriage. Too many take their cue from Hollywood and turn to legal separation instead of prayer when discord arises. While the serious nature of family conflict is not to be minimized, there are few cases of marital trouble that would not find immediate solution by coming God's way through heart repentance.

(3) THE KEY FACT: FAMILIES THAT PRAY TOGETHER STAY TOGETHER.

Family worship is one influence which helps greatly in safeguarding a home and binding its members together. Usually, the most cherished of home memories are those that recall the family gathered together, at least once a day for Bible reading and devotions.

Doing things together is a unifying technique in any family ... and the highest level of doing things together is worshipping God.

LESSON NUMBER TWO

July 22, 1951
COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS
Romans 12:9-21; 13:8-10

MEMORY TEXT: "Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." Romans 13:10.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "NEIGHBOR."

Christianity has its most dynamic effect in the "on the street" relationships of everyday life. Religion that stands the test of daily contact in the community will successfully meet every challenge.

We are expected to let our light so shine before men that they will see our good works! Actions speak louder than words ... and a holy life is the world's best sermon.

If neighbors, who do not go to Church hear the Gospel at all, it will be from those with whom they brush shoulders during the week.

Today's lesson suggests a system of practical Christianity which, if applied, would make community life a paradise. Only the cussedness of the human heart keeps it from becoming a reality.

Friendship is the badge of Christian life. Christ sought out men for the purpose of ministering to their needs, and while doing so, He taught them the things of the kingdom. Too frequently, Christians follow an opposite course, withdrawing into their Churches, insulating themselves from those whom they might otherwise win to Christ.

Timidity toward presenting the claims of the Gospel is often a deterrent in witnessing to neighbors. Victims of this ailment need to pray for special grace to get the victory over it. Oddly, there is no shyness in other community relationships — baseball, golf, fishing, politics, back fence conversation.

Meditation and private devotion should not be neglected, but if constantly pursued will lead to asceticism. During the middle ages this concept of Christianity became widespread. Since it was believed that a devout life could not be lived in wicked society, many of the faithful withdrew themselves, took vows of poverty and chastity and became monks. Thus self-denial became altogether negative; goodness consisted of doing nothing. Paul's letter to the Romans was written in a different vein.

His admonition deserves to be written in letters of gold, but its realization is possible only in lives that have been infused with divine love through supernatural regeneration. Brotherly love has been described as "a foretaste of heaven."

James called this the "royal law" and Christ referred to it as the second commandment. While perfect fulfillment of Paul's community code could be expected only in a group of spiritually-minded believers ... yet to the degree a community is evangelized for Christ, to that degree will social conditions improve.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS ROMANS 13:10.

"Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law."

The old-fashioned community with its like-minded people, its Church, store and school is losing its appeal. This

is an ominous development because America's moral strength depends upon small communities rather than congested metropolitan areas. Licentiousness, indulgence and mass immorality accompany large concentrations of population.

Many are making the mistake that Lot made, when he "pitched his tent on the road to Sodom." They are letting themselves become intrigued by the bright lights. Modern communication and transportation has produced a heterogeneous population religiously, socially and politically, the effect of which is to break down community lines and sacrifice moral values.

The ideal relationships anticipated in our key verse, is predicated upon the stern *thou shalt not's*, listed in Romans 13:9. Firm discipline is required in the realm of morals. Jetties are necessary to regulate river currents. Moral jetties are necessary to regulate human conduct. Restraint builds character, which after all is the basis of city, state and national security.

(3) THE KEY FACT: NEIGHBORLY LIVING IS A MARK OF TRUE RELIGION.

Today's lesson emphasizes the necessity of more than a negative attitude. Clean living, personal character, honesty and brotherliness are Christian dynamics. Prayer, obedience to the commandment requiring one to love his neighbor "as himself," will go far toward winning the respect of scoffers and demonstrate Christianity's positive aspect of service which goes "the second mile." This is the antithesis of Communism.

Communists propose social reforms at the point of bayonets, inviolation of the rights of all. They inject despair and inertia, while repressing the initiative of the masses under the grinding heel of a few.

Christianity, on the other hand, respects the individual and demands love for him ... because, no matter how humble, his face bears the image of God, though marred by sin.

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LESSON NUMBER THREE

July 29, 1951

EXEMPLARY LIVING (TEMPERANCE)

Romans 12:1-2; I Corinthians 8

MEMORY TEXT: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Romans 12:1.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "SACRIFICE."

Today's lesson deals with the necessity of believers consecrating their bodies to God. It follows the same thought expressed by Jesus, when advising a questioner that obedience to the great commandment of love, would enable one to keep all others joyfully. The person who has not presented himself to God in a spirit of self-discipline and consecration, is in no position to appropriate grace for spiritual growth.

The doctrinal teaching, ending with the eleventh chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Romans, is now followed by a series of exhortations on practical duty.

"I beseech you therefore" — in view of all that has been advanced in the foregoing part of the Epistle — "that ye present your bodies." The correct translation is *present yourselves, in the body, a living sacrifice*.

Paul considered the physical body as the organ of the inner life. As in the body, all the evil of the unrenewed heart comes forth into palpable manifestation ... so it is through the body that all the gracious principles and affections of believers reveal themselves in the outward life. Sanctification extends to the whole man (I Thessalonians 5:23-24).

"Which is your reasonable service." The word reasonable could better be translated *rational*. Pagan sacrifice to idols is a senseless action. But the presentation of our bodies as "a living sacrifice" is a rational service. It makes sense!

"By the renewing of your mind." Not by a mere outward conformity to the ungodly world ... but by an inward spiritual transformation that makes the whole life new. Heart motives are changed. The entire trend of thought is revised, fashioned according to a new pattern. Such a change is wholly

unattainable save through the presence and power of Christ.

We are enjoined to live not in conformity with the world, but according to the will of God. The word here used for world is *aion*, better translated "age" than "world." The Corinthians lived in a morally corrupt age and conditions are, in general, no better today. Every person who would enjoy a victorious Christian life should resign himself to be considered *peculiar* by those calloused in materialism.

The world rejects the offence of the Cross, and to allow oneself to be conformed to standards of the ungodly is, in effect, to disown the Lord.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS I CORINTHIANS 8:13.

"Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend."

The Church at Corinth had to constantly resist the pagan influences of a notoriously wicked city. Low standards of conduct prevailed in general. Believers were subjected to ever-present temptations attending the licentious ceremonies celebrated to the goddess Venus.

After completion of the rites, meat offered to idols was customarily sold in the markets of the city. Some Christians did not regard the meat itself as being polluted by the ceremonies. Because there was a question involved, affecting the Christian conscience of the community, Paul took the position stated in our key verse.

If there were two unlabeled bottles on your shelf, one containing medicine and the other poison ... which would you take? Obviously, neither one!

Violations of conscience, even if not attended by harmful outward effects, may lead to dangerous compromises.

(3) THE KEY FACT: THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS ONE OF DISCIPLINE.

Some deeds which we may regard as perfectly lawful, may need to be voluntarily curtailed, for the good of others. The problem concerning eating flesh previously offered before idols is a dead issue in civilized lands today, but there are other matters in which a same principle is involved that make very definite demands.

The Christian is a kingdom. In that kingdom there are many subjects — many appetites, desires and passions to be kept in subjection to his ideals, his conscience and convictions. Christ is king and should at all times be given preeminence. Paul also wrote: "Christ in you the hope of glory."

LESSON NUMBER FOUR

August 5, 1951

EARNING A CHRISTIAN LIVING

Luke 12:13-21;

II Thessalonians 3:7-10

MEMORY TEXT: "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." Psalm 37:25.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "WORK."

Producing a livelihood has always been one of life's fundamental problems, and with so many questionable social and economic theories abroad, a study of what the New Testament has to say on the subject is timely.

Some people inherit enough to live their days in idleness. But the majority of us have to earn a living according to the formula of Genesis 3:19. "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." Scripture enjoins work upon man as a duty. A willingness to live by the earnings of others is foreign to the mind of the Christian.

Jesus worked in a carpenter shop before starting His earthly ministry. Tradition says that Joseph died when He was young, leaving Him the support of the family. Thus, He spoke not only with authority but from actual experience.

Sacred and secular history illustrates the principle that work is the key to economic success and contentment. The poor will always be with us, as Christ said, for at most, we are only relatively poor or rich.

A man considered poor in the United States would be quite wealthy in the Orient. Jesus makes the point in today's lesson that true wealth cannot be computed in material values, but according as one is "rich toward God."

Communists scorn Christianity as being "other worldly," and postponing the experience of happiness and plenty until we reach heaven. They try to taunt us by singing about "pie in the sky." It is true that New Testament religion has to do with the "sweet by

and by" ... but it also expounds principles that make for highest and best conditions in the "sweet now and now." This is attested by the fact that the living standards of nations professing Christianity have always been in advance of others.

In Russia the average man works 240 hours to buy a radio, 160 hours to buy an alarm clock, 110 hours for a pair of shoes, 340 hours for a suit of clothes, 64 hours for a pound of butter, 50 hours for a dozen eggs, 8 hours for a quart of milk, 1 hour for a loaf of bread. No automobiles are available to him.

In the United States the average man works 10 hours to buy a radio, 1 hour to buy an alarm clock, 3 hours for a pair of shoes, 15 hours for a suit of clothes, $\frac{3}{8}$ of an hour for a pound of butter, $\frac{3}{8}$ of an hour for a dozen eggs, $\frac{1}{8}$ of an hour for a quart of milk, $\frac{1}{8}$ of an hour for a loaf of bread. Most American workmen own automobiles.

If Christianity is appraised as being "other worldly," it must be because this is man's day — which must ultimately ripen for judgment. Because of sin, men will never be able to fashion a perfect social and economic fabric. Our best efforts are doomed to failure because Christ is left out of the picture. The hope of happiness and plenty for all, must therefore be postponed until Christ reigns on the earth.

For the present, Christians seek improvement in Christ's way, which is to treat the cause rather than the effect. Salvation from sin is the cure of all earth's woes.

The policy of treating causes, rather than symptoms, is clearly seen in the incident where the brother requested Jesus to interfere regarding an inheritance. Our Lord went to the core of the problem by condemning covetousness.

Assertions of Socialists notwithstanding, Jesus never took sides in disagreements of men over material things, politics or capital and labor. No more blasphemous title has been used than to call His a "social revolutionist." He knew that when men's hearts are motivated by divine love, human relations become equitably adjusted.

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS LUKE 12:20.

"Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee."

"Master," said the man as he approached Christ with the complaint against his brother. In this most inopportune intrusion upon the solemnity of our Lord's teaching, there is a mix-

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ture of the absurd and irreverent. The man had an idea that his case offered the most important problem with which the Master could possibly deal. The incident caused our Lord to use the parable recorded in today's lesson.

Why was the rich man of the story called a fool?

(1) Because he deemed a life of abundant earthly enjoyment the summit of human felicity. (2) Because, flattering himself, he thought his lease on such enjoyment to be permanent. (3) Because he magnified the temporal and minimized the eternal.

(3) THE KEY FACT: CONSECRATED WEALTH CAN BE A SPIRITUAL ASSET.

The general tenor of Scripture is that men should be free to follow their own initiative in acquiring wealth by legitimate means . . . which, when used unselfishly can bless the lives of the unfortunate and advance Christ's kingdom.

It does not teach socialistic principles which would restrain the talents of one and limit his capacity for hard work . . . while promising the shiftless and indolent something for nothing.

The Bible regards man as a steward of God, who, if sufficiently intelligent to acquire earthly goods and wealth, is also wise enough to administer them in accordance with his vows of consecration.

LESSON NUMBER FIVE

August 12, 1951

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Matthew 25:14-30

MEMORY TEXT: "And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Revelation 22:12.

(1) THE KEY WORD OF THE LESSON IS "GOODS."

The parable of the talents is taken from one of Scripture's most dramatic and terrible chapters.

Dramatic, because it sets forth Christian duty in three parables and describes the future day of accounting, judgment and rewards.

Tragic, because it portrays the solemn responsibility of stewardship and shows that those who misuse their goods, abilities and means are deemed deserving

of being cast from the Lord's presence. If we wish to make our calling and election sure, we will give this lesson prayerful consideration.

The word "talent" suggests more than money . . . because money represents an investment of time, energy and abilities. When a man contributes financially to the work of the Lord, he is therefore giving a part of *himself*.

James described the love of money as being the root of all evil. Many people make it their god. Someone has said that money buys everything but happiness, and takes a man everywhere except to heaven.

Yet it has its good and proper uses. Gold coined into the salvation of souls becomes legal tender in eternity. Money is essential for accomplishing the Great Commission . . . and for searching out lost sheep all over the face of the earth.

If good men made better use of it, there would be more happiness in the world and God's redemptive program would go forward more rapidly.

The man of wealth in today's lesson, "traveling into a far country," typifies Christ during His absence between the two advents. Talents were left to be invested. "After a long time the Lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them."

Jamieson, Fausset and Brown Commentary says: "Christ's 'servants' here mean all who, by their Christian profession, stand in relation to Him of entire subjection. His 'goods' mean all their gifts and endowments, whether original or acquired, natural or spiritual.

"As all that slaves have, belongs to their master, so Christ has a claim to everything which belongs to His people, everything which may be turned to good. Or viewing it otherwise, they first offer it up to Him, as being 'not their own, but bought with a price.' (I Corinthians 6:20.)"

While the proportion of gifts differed with the three servants, the same fidelity was required of all, and the rewards were uniform.

Said the man with the five talents: "Lord . . . I have gained besides them five talents more." This beautifully illustrates what John says about "boldness in the day of judgment," and his desire that "when he shall appear we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming." (I John 4:17; 2:28)

(2) THE KEY VERSE IS MATTHEW 25:22.

"He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliverdest unto me two talents: behold I have gained two other talents beside them."

The more deeply this parable is studied, the more important the man of the two talents appears. He should interest us, for it is to his class that most Christians belong. We would not lay claim to the five talents, nor would we wish to confess to the one.

This quiet, commonplace man of two talents, goes his faithful, unnoticed way. He makes no mark and attracts no special attention. Yet thoroughly fulfilling his duty and winning his master's praise, he is worthy of imitation.

It is comforting to know that in the final reckoning, we shall be judged and rewarded on the basis of our *faithfulness*, and not according to the amount accumulated or some other person's capacities and opportunities.

(3) THE KEY FACT: SPIRITUAL INVESTMENTS PAY ETERNAL DIVIDENDS.

We can be certain Christ meant to teach that no man is doomed to inactivity and uselessness. There is a place of service for the humblest child of God. Doors of opportunity will open for those willing to use even one talent in a humble though perhaps obscure way.

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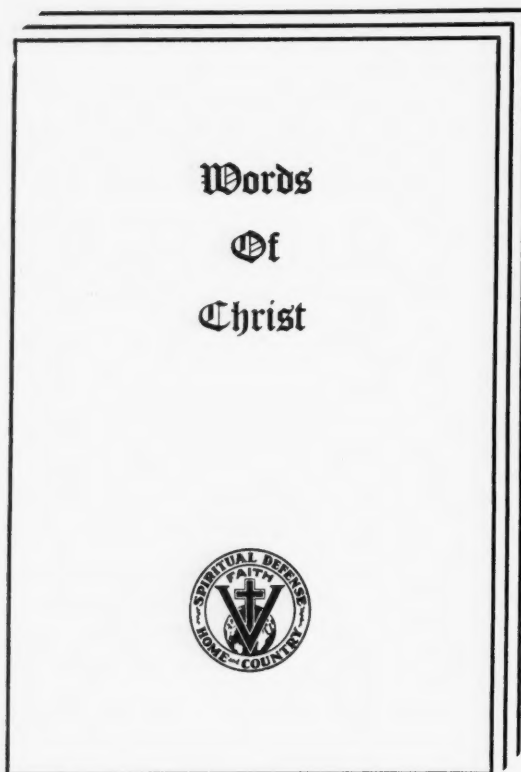
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